

Reference is made of the transfer of atomic energy intelligence activities from Manhattan District to CIG, which would place it in 1947 and probably connect with the establishment of Nuclear Energy Group in OSO. This group was eventually transferred to OSI. No indication of the actual exchange made at this time or the formal papers involved.

Prior to this it was brought out in the Fortier Committee hearings that SSU had four individuals in Europe assigned to the clandestine collection of AE intelligence, and coordinating and obtaining guidance directly in the field from European personnel of the Manhattan District engaged in the overt collection of AE intelligence.

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The Nuclear Energy Group was activated in accordance with instructions of the DCI, by SODir #18/6, 23 Mar 48, ~~but~~ the activation effective as of 5 Mar 48. It ranked as one of the four principal subdivisions of OSO and consisted of a Chief, Deputy, Executive for Liaison and Services, an Operations Section and a Reports and Records Section. Its functions, enumerated in paragraph 2 of reference directive, were:

- a. Receive, evaluate, collate and summarize all incoming intelligence/ ~~work~~ . . . in the nuclear energy field.
- b. Prepare collection requirements. . . by covert means and coordinate collection activity.
- c. Review collection requirements. . . by overt means in coordination with OCD.
- d. Direct dissemination of nuclear intelligence under restrictions of . . . DCI.
- e. Prepare estimates of intentions, capabilities and potentials. . . for incorporation in summaries of national interest.
- f. Maintain direct liaison with AEC and other agencies.
- g. Maintain special contacts with US industry and government departments in coordination with OO and AEC as appropriate.
- h. Consult and coordinate with IAC agencies on research projects. . .
- i. Advise the DCI on liaison with foreign intelligence agencies.
- j. Maintain representation on the OCD reading panel.